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Agency Information Collection (Deployment Risk and Resilience Inventory)

Activities under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov, or to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: VA Desk Officer; 725 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20503 or sent through electronic mail to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900–0730 (Deployment Risk and Resilience Inventory)" in any

correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Crystal Rennie, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632–7492 or email crystal.rennie@va.gov. Please refer to OMB Control No. 2900–0730 (Deployment Risk and Resilience Inventory) in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501 – 3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VHA invites comments on: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VHA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VHA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

<u>Titles:</u> Development of the Deployment Risk and Resilience Inventory (DRRI).

OMB Control Number: 2900-0730.

Type of Review: Revision of an approved collection.

Abstract: The need to validate measures for use with the newest deployment cohort, including Veterans of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, has been identified as a critical need by both VA and DoD. The current request for a revision to OMB 2900-0730 is responsive to this identified need by proposing additional data collection with a sample of Operation Enduring Freedom/Operation Iragi Freedom (OEF/OIF) Veterans for the purpose of validating updated scales for assessing deployment-related risk and resilience factors that have documented implications for PTSD and other mental health problems. The originally approved OMB project (VA Form 10-21087) involved collecting data from Operation Enduring Freedom/Operation Iraqi Freedom (OEF/OIF) veterans to further refine and validate updated Deployment Risk and Resilience Inventory (DRRI) scales with respect to mental health outcomes. The purpose of the present request for a revision to this OMB-approved project is to conduct additional data collections with OEF/OIF Veterans who participated in the original survey for the purpose of further exploring the construct validity of these scales. Specifically, the goal of this follow-up study is to examine deployment-related factors assessed in the DRRI as they relate to subsequently assessed occupational and family outcomes, as well as VA service use.

The long-term goal of this project is to provide a suite of scales that will be optimally

useful to researchers and clinicians interested in studying factors that increase or

reduce risk for PTSD and other health problems among Veteran and military samples.

Legal authority for this data collection is found under 38 USC, Part I, Chapter 5, Section

527 that authorizes the collection of data that will allow measurement and evaluation of

the Department of Veterans Affairs Programs, the goal of which is improved health care

for veterans.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a

collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The

Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this

collection of information was published at 80 FR 44200 on July 24, 2015.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1,383 burden hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 50 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,000.

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